

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Office of the Secretary****Fitness Determination of Casino Airlines, Inc.**

AGENCY: Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Notice of order to show cause (Order 97-2-30).

SUMMARY: The Department of Transportation is proposing to find that Casino Airlines, Inc., is fit, willing, and able, to provide commuter air service under 49 U.S.C. 41738.

DATES: Persons wishing to file objections should do so no later than March 14, 1997.

RESPONSES: All interested persons wishing to respond to the Department of Transportation's tentative fitness determination should file their responses with James A. Lawyer, Air Carrier Fitness Division, X-56, Room 6401, Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590, and serve them on all persons listed in Attachment A to the order. Responses should be filed no later than March 24, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. James A. Lawyer, Air Carrier Fitness Division (X-56, Room 6401), U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590, (202) 366-1064.

Dated: February 27, 1997.

Patrick V. Murphy,
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Aviation and International Affairs.

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Federal Aviation Administration**Aircraft Fluorescent Lighting Ballast/Fixture**

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration.

ACTION: Notice of availability for public comment.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of and request comments on a proposed technical standard order (TSO) pertaining to aircraft fluorescent ballast/fixture. The proposed TSO prescribes the minimum performance standards that aircraft fluorescent ballast/fixture must meet to be identified with the marking "TSO-C141."

DATES: Comments must identify the TSO file number and be received on or before June 13, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Send all comments on the proposed technical standard order to: Technical Programs and Continued Airworthiness Branch, AIR-120, Aircraft Engineering Division, Aircraft Certification Service—File No. TSO-C141, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591. Or deliver comments to: Federal Aviation Administration, Room 804, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ms. Bobbie J. Smith, Technical Program and Continued Airworthiness Branch, AIR-120, Aircraft Engineering Division, Aircraft Certification Service, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, Telephone (202) 267-9546.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Comments Invited**

Interested persons are invited to comment on the proposed TSO listed in this notice by submitting such written data, views, or arguments as they desire to the above specified address. Comments received on the proposed technical standard order may be examined, before and after the comment closing date, in Room 804, FAA Headquarters Building (FOB-10A), 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, weekdays except Federal holidays, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. All communications received on or before the closing date for comments specified above will be considered by the Director of the Aircraft Certification Service before issuing the final TSO.

Background

In June 1991, the FAA requested that the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) develop an aerospace standard (AS) for fluorescent lighting systems. This action was prompted by an unsatisfactory service history of this equipment when installed in aircraft.

In the past ten years, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has issued at least five Airworthiness Directives (AD) against various cabin fluorescent lighting systems. These AD's corrected unsafe conditions that resulted in smoke, fire, or electromagnetic interference to essential airplane systems caused by failure conditions of the cabin fluorescent lighting system. The failure conditions generally consisted of failures in the inverters, transformer (ballast) units, or the lamp connector interface.

The resulting document developed by SAE is AS 4914, aircraft Fluorescent Lighting Ballast/Fixture Safety Design Standard. This is the referenced document in proposed TSO-C141.

How To Obtain Copies

A copy of the proposed TSO-C141 may be obtained by contacting **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.** Copies of Society of Automotive Engineers, Inc. (SAE) Aerospace Standard (AS) 4914 may be purchased from SAE, Inc., 400 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, PA 15096-0001. Copies of RTCA Document No. DO-160C, "Environmental Conditions and Test Procedures for Airborne Equipment," dated December 1989, may be purchased from the RCTA Inc., 1140 Connecticut Avenue, NW., Suite 1020, Washington, DC 20036.

Issued in Washington, DC, on February 24, 1997.

Brian A. Yanez,

Acting Manager, Aircraft Engineering Division, Aircraft Certification Service.

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Aircraft Mechanical Fasteners

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration.

ACTION: Notice of availability for public comment.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of and requests comments on a proposed Technical Standard Order pertaining to aircraft mechanical fasteners. The proposed TSO prescribes the regulatory performance standards that manufacturer-specified parts and appliances must meet to be identified with the marking "TSO-C148."

DATES: Comments must identify the TSO file number and be received on or before May 23, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Send all comments on the proposed technical standard order to: Technical Programs and Continued Airworthiness Branch, AIR-120, Aircraft Engineering Division, Aircraft Certification Service—File No. TSO-C148, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591. Or deliver comments to: Federal Aviation Administration, Room 815, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Bobbie J. Smith, Technical Programs and Continued Airworthiness Branch, AIR-120, Aircraft Engineering Division, Aircraft Certification Service, Federal Aviation Administration, 800